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SUBJECT: QA ANNIVERSARY EXCHANGE OF GREETINGS

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1. HARTMAN CALLED IN SOVIET CHARGE VORONSTOV ON AUGUST 31 TO INFORM HIM THAT THE US, ALONG WITH THE BRITISH AND FRENCH, CONSIDERED IT INAPPROPRIATE TO ENTER INTO AN EXCHANGE OF TELEGRAMS OF GREETING BETWEEN MINISTERS ON THE FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT. HARTMAN TOLD HIM THAT, GIVEN EVENTS OF RECENT WEEKS, SUCH CONFIDENTIAL

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AN EXCHANGE WOULD SEEM INCONGRUOUS. HE ADDED ON A

PERSONAL BASIS THAT WE MIGHT TAKE ANOTHER LOOK AT THE QUESTION NEXT SPRING AS THE FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FINAL QUADRIPARTITE PROTOCOL APPROACHED. HE ASSURED HIM THAT OUR POSITION DID NOT REFLECT DISAGREEMENT ON THE IMPORTANCE OF THE AGREEMENT OR THE SIGNIFICANCE OF ITS POSITIVE ASPECTS.

2. VORONTSOV DID NOT APPEAR SURPRISED BY THE US POSITION. HE SAID THAT IT WAS A PITY THAT AN EXCHANGE WAS NOT POSSIBLE. HE STRESSED THAT THE SOVIETS HAD NOT MADE THEIR PROPOSAL AS A PROPAGANDA GESTURE BUT GENUINELY HAD WISHED TO DEMONSTRATE THE POSITIVE RESULTS OF THE QA. HE UNDERTOOK TO REPORT THE US POSITION TO MOSCOW. ROBINSON

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